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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

Jeffrey A. Colborn

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For: **METAL FUEL CELL SYSTEM FOR
PROVIDING BACKUP POWER TO
ONE OR MORE LOADS**

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

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Sir:

It is hereby requested that the period for responding to the outstanding Office Action dated June 23, 2003, be extended two months from September 23, 2003 to November 24, 2003 by the filing of this Petition and fee payment.

The petition fee (37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)) is believed to be \$210.00 for a two-month extension for a small entity. However, if extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 other than those provided herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then

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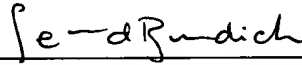
such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee due herein, fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. **08-3038** referencing Howrey Dkt. No. 04813.0018.NPUS00. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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